Dear Mom and Dad,

Your letter arrived today. Thanks for the information on the house for sale. It is interesting to watch the changes in the neighborhood. You are doing fine on the word processor, keep up the good work! I am making a lot of progress assembling the Erwin material into a document. It would be impossible without the computer.

A new "interest-group" started up on the computer network I monitor at work. It is concerned with opera and is managed by a man in Brazil. Vickie was interested in some comments and wrote a reply which was answered by a man in England!

Tomorrow Vickie is going to the Kennedy Center for the Opera Guild volunteers orientation. I mentioned on the phone that she has already been given the assignment of reviewing two articles the guild commissioned for their newsletter. I am planning to register for a course on "Milton" at George Washington University. It will meet twice a week from 5:45 PM to 7:00 PM for a semester. As an alumni I can audit many courses for only \$50. The cost to a regular student is about \$1000.

The weather was cool last week but it is in the 90's this week. I hope it cools down by Sunday because I hope to run 20 miles in preparation for the Marine Corps Marathon the first week in November.

I spent a lot of time on the U.S.S. Eisenhower and kind of wish they would call me over to the Mideast. It's funny how one easily forgets the discomforts of experiences like that. Fortunately I haven't forgotten entirely and wouldn't consider an assignment at this time!

I have enclosed another photograph of me taken at the reunion. And you will get yet another from the marathon. You can use them to get a fire started in the winter!

Love, Jim & Vickie